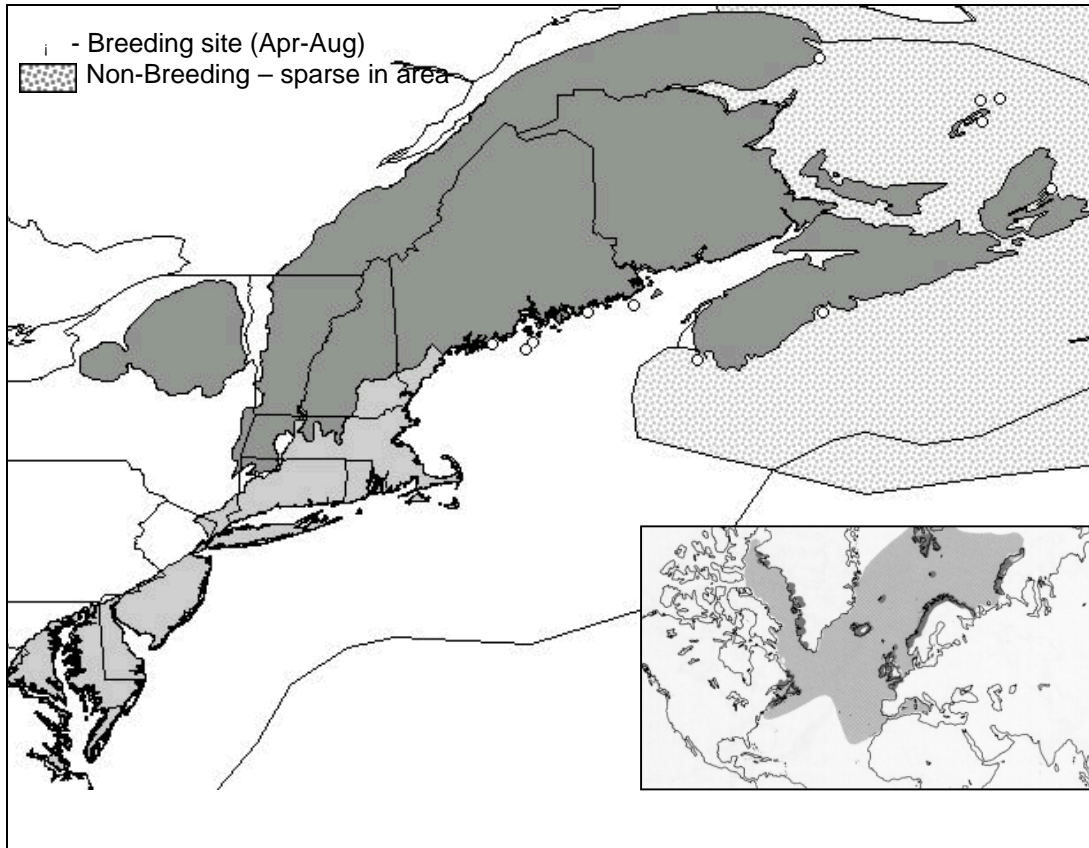


ATLANTIC PUFFIN

Fratercula arctica arctica



Regional Occurrence (BCRs 14, 30)

- Distribution: breeds in BCR 14; pelagic in region
- Habitats used: rocky islands, nest under boulder berms, sod and burrows as well as rock crevices (breeding); mostly pelagic (non-breeding)

NAWCP BD=3; NAWCP ND=2

Regional Abundance

- 2002 pop. size: US—1148 (5 colonies); CAN—5750 (4 colonies)
- 1990s pop. size: US—398 (4 colonies); CAN—2,494
- 1970s pop.: US—500 (2 colonies); CAN—3000 (2 colonies)
- 20.4% decrease in regional population; although recent increase

NAWCP PS=2; NAWCP PT=1

Regional Threats

- Introduced predators; minor threat by gulls, peregrines
- Competition with fisheries for common food sources
- Possible that tourism impacting food delivery rates / behavior of adults delivering prey; blinds may affect adult energetics
- Limited by nesting habitat

NAWCP TB=4; NAWCP TN=4

Conservation Status: Abundance (b=breeding, nb=nonbreeding, t=total individuals) and Conservation Rank

Global	North America	BCR 14	BCR 30	Mid-Atlantic	S. New England	Gulf of Maine	Maritimes
12,000,000 - 15,000,000t	750,000 – 760,000b	2,852b	0b	0b	0b	398b	2,494b
IUCN Not Evaluated	NAWCP- Not currently at risk (PI=20-25%)	Not at risk (PI=<1%)	Not at risk	NJ-SZN; DE- no info; MD-SZN; VA- no info	NY-S?N; CT, RI, MA, VT- no info	MA, NH- no info; ME- S2B NB- S1S2B; NS- S1B	QC-S4; NB- S1S2B PE- no info; NS- S1B

Conservation Needs: *Sustainability:* 0.74 young / burrow; *Commuting Range:* often close to colony; 3-100km; generally 5km or so; not much data on depth; however none known to be caught in gill nets set at 60m but commonly caught in nets set 0-30m; *Issues:* Management should include gull control. Need research on researcher disturbance, and on northwest ATPU in wintering range and cause of mortality; *Needs:* monitor, requires active management, link with other bird conservation opportunities; *Population Goals:* restore (increase); target 3,200-3,900b; *Habitat Goals:*